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MEDIA ADVISORY

SUSSEX COUNTY EMS CELEBRATES THE OPENING OF THE NEW PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX

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[Bridgeville, Del.] Sussex County EMS and the Delaware State Police today celebrated the opening of the new Paramedic Station 107 and Troop 5 at the recently completed Adams-Ewing Public Safety Complex, located at U.S. 13 and Del. 404 near Bridgeville, Del. State, county and local government officials attended the dedication of the complex, which SCEMS Director Glenn Luedtke hailed as “a great new facility. We are excited for our employees and our community.”

The Medic Unit was moved from its current location in Blades, Del., and has begun operating out of the new station. The public safety building was once home to a visitor’s center, but after more than \$3 million in improvements, the building has been transformed into a state and county public safety hub that puts police officers and medics closer to a busy intersection and population center. “The relocating of Paramedic Unit 107 to its permanent station will be beneficial to the Bridgeville, Seaford and Greenwood areas, and for that matter, to all of Sussex County,” County Administrator Robert L. Stickels said.

During the past two years, Sussex County EMS has added two new paramedic units and one additional field supervisor. With this move today, there now will be two paramedic units in western Sussex County – at Bridgeville and Laurel – and a Paramedic District Supervisor stationed in Blades. In all, the county has seven paramedic units and two district supervisors placed throughout Sussex, 24 hours a day.

“This new complex and unit help put more medics on the street, and that gives Sussex County a better concentration of the life-saving emergency workers we all need,” Administrator Stickels said. Sussex County contributed \$1.1 million in June 2004 toward the public safety complex. Administrator Stickels said the new complex is a testament to the good working relationship between Sussex County Council and the state of Delaware. “It is yet another example of partners working together,” he said. “And the product of that partnership is improved emergency response to the residents and visitors of our county.”

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